

CITY OF SANTA MONICA LIBRARY BOARD



Minutes of the REGULAR Meeting of September 7, 2017 To Be Approved

Call to Order	A REGULAR meeting of the Santa Monica Library Board was called to order by Chair, Marc Morgenstern, at 7:03 p.m., Thursday, September 7, 2017 at the Main Library, Administrative Conference Room, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., Santa Monica.	
Roll Call	PRESENT:	Chair Marc Morgenstern, Boardmember Victor Davich, Boardmember Lucien Plauzoles, and Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon.
	ABSENT:	Boardmember Naomi Seligman.
	ALSO PRESENT:	Patty Wong, Director of Library Services; Priscilla Bouvet, Executive Administrative Assistant.
Public Input	None..	
Approval of the Library Board Minutes	Motion by Boardmember Victor Davich, seconded by Boardmember Lucien Plauzoles to approve the minutes of the Library Board meeting of August 3, 2017. The motion was approved by the following vote: AYES: Chair Marc Morgenstern, Boardmember Victor Davich, Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon and Boardmember Lucien Plauzoles NOES: None ABSTAINING: None ABSENT: Boardmember Naomi Seligman.	
Secretary's Report	Patty Wong, Director of Library Services highlighted items in her Secretary's Report which included the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Update on Library Capital Improvement Projects• Update on Library Services and Programs such as Plaza Comunitarias; Spanish Language Book Fair with the local LA Chapter of REFORMA; Hack the Beach kickoff; Summer Reading program and Pop-Up at the Beach; and Library annual survey.• Grants opportunities• Citizenship Corners• Library staffing, vacancies, and honors	

- Staff In-Service Day
- Library/HR collaboration: Development of Leadership and Professional Collection
- Training and conference attendance

Discussion of Library Safety and Security related to mental health issues

Ms. Wong went over Library Safety and Security data and reported 7 bans and 8 stay away orders currently in place. The Board expressed interest in exploring training opportunities for front line staff, and Library Service Officers. The roles and responsibilities of Library Services Officers are being reviewed in order to support the Library's efforts to provide a safe environment for staff and library patrons. The Board will be assisting to evaluate the Library's Rules of Conduct and provide input to the Rules of Conduct Committee.

Boardmember Victor Davich left at 8:10pm.

Chair Marc Morgenstern volunteered to serve as a liaison to the Rules of Conduct Committee on behalf of the Library Board.

Discussion of Committee Board Development

No action.

Discussion of a Library Board Retreat

The Board selected to have their retreat on Saturday, October 14th from 10am - 3:00pm. Final agenda items were discussed.

Discussion of Library Board participation in COAST

Interested boardmembers will notify City staff if available to participate in this year's COAST event.

Discussion of Kanopy as an offering at Santa Monica Libraries

The Board discussed the possibility of having Kanopy as an offering at Santa Monica Libraries and determined the financial impact was too high.

Election of Officers

Motion by Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon, seconded by Chair Marc Morgenstern to nominate Boardmember Lucien Plauzoles as Vice Chair. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Marc Morgenstern, Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon and Boardmember Lucien Plauzoles

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Boardmember Naomi Seligman and Boardmember Victor Davich

Board Discussion of Nationwide Current Library Trends and Review of Library Journal Articles

Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon shared an article from Library Hotline regarding *Incoming Trustees*; Boardmember Lucien Plauzoles briefly shared information regarding Seasonal Effective Disorder devices and various readings related to eliminating library fines.

**Reports from
Library
Boardmembers on
Their Attendance at
Library Programs
or on Feedback
from the
Community**

None

**What Are You
Reading?**

The Board discussed what books they are reading, what music they are listening to, or movies they are watching.

**Agenda Building
for the Next
Meeting**

Future agenda item: Amnesty Day to forgive library fines

Adjournment

On the order of the Chair, Marc Morgenstern, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

Patricia Wong
Library Director

Marc Morgenstern
Library Board Chair

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